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Letter dated 27 April 1992 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Further to our earlier letters concerning Iranian aggression against Iraq on 5 April 1992, the most recent of which is dated 20 April 1992 (S/23827), I have the honour to inform you that three officers of the United Nations Iran-Iraq Military Observer Group - a colonel (Zambia), a lieutenant-colonel (Hungary) and a captain (Malaysia) - visited the supply depots at Al Azim on 14 April 1992 in order to inspect and verify the flagrant acts of aerial aggression perpetrated by Iran, in the course of which eight Iranian military aircraft bombed the supply depots, deliberately causing damage to them.

The United Nations officers questioned Iraqi officials at the Al Azim camp and obtained clear answers from them about the number of Iranian aircraft which had taken part in this act of aggression, the time of the attack, the type of bombs and missiles used and the course and altitude of the aircraft. Among the projectiles used were 500-pound rockets and cluster bombs.

During their visit the United Nations officials were able to observe the effects of this aerial bombardment and bomb fragments, as they inspected the sites where the missiles fell and saw for themselves the damage caused.

In transmitting to you information on this unjustified Iranian aggression against Iraq perpetrated on 5 April 1992, Iraq totally rejects the arguments advanced by the Government of Iran to justify this attack.

I should be grateful if you would have the text of this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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